

A farewell message

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, RICK RICCIO



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Change- as we see the seasons change four times a year each with its own unique features, we adapt to those changes and welcome the positives that each season brings. After thirty five wonderful years with St. Anne Institute, the last eleven years as Executive Director, I have decided to retire in November. To ensure that St. Anne continues as one of the premier agencies in New York State it is time to look at a succession plan for the agency. This is a well planned and strategic decision and the staff and Board of Directors have established a process to effectively manage the leadership succession for St. Anne Institute. St. Anne has been an integral part of my life both personally and professionally and it is time to turn over the reins to new leadership who can develop their own administrative team to lead St. Anne into the future. I know I will be leaving the organization in great hands.

I am extremely grateful to have had the opportunity to lead, work with, and learn from such a talented, professional and passionate organization. The staff of St. Anne Institute has always shown relentless commitment to make the world a better place for the children and families we serve. They inspire me everyday.

I want to thank the staff for their dedication and hard work, the boards for their leadership and guidance and the donors for their generosity. Your support is one of the many reasons I am confident that we can look forward to an exciting future for the organization. Thank you for being a part of St. Anne Institute.

My family and I wish you all well, and I know St. Anne will continue to provide quality programming for the children and families across New York State.

With gratitude,

Richard C. Riccio
Executive Director

A "Children's Activity Fund" will be set up in Mr. Riccio's name. Resources from this fund will provide activities for children who have no visiting resources. For more information contact Darlene Suto @ 437-6563 or visit our website to make a donation on-line. @ www.stanneinstitute.org

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Please remember to sign up for the annual State Employees Federated Appeal and/or the Combined Federated Campaign (Active or retired employees of NYS and Federal Government) Fill in St. Anne's name and # once and give all year. Remind relatives and friends. Both drives help St. Anne Institute.

Holiday Wish List

Calling all Elves and Angels!

Please help us make this time of year extra special for the girls in our care that stay with us through the holidays. Even a small remembrance will be gratefully appreciated. Please deliver gifts unwrapped by Wednesday, December 15th.

Contact: Pat Leonard at 437-6567



Journals/Diaries
Stationery
Calendars
Posters
Greeting Cards
Clothing (new): nightgowns, Sweaters, shirts, blouses, t-shirts, socks, scarfs, mittens
sweatshirts, etc.
Personal hair care products (non aerosol)
Candy, cookies or other treats

Group Gifts:
Sports equipment
Tapes
Books
DVD's
Arts and crafts supplies
Yarn, Baking pans and supplies

Gift Certificates for:
Movies, Video rentals
Fast food restaurants
Concerts, theater shows and sports events

ST. ANNE INSTITUTE is a voluntary, non-sectarian, residential and community based treatment center. St. Anne's comprehensive programs include a year-round Regents Accredited and Certified Jr. and Sr. High School for the emotionally handicapped; Residential Child Care for young women ages 12-18; Day Treatment/Family Services for children and families in crisis; a Pre School/Day Care for children ages 3-4; and Sex Abuse Prevention and Juvenile Sex Offender Programs. Established in 1887, St. Anne is located on eight and one-half acres within the heart of Albany.

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124 Years of Service to Children and Families

ABOVE
Erica Grey, Unit Manager is Joined by Mayor G. Jennings, Marybeth Musco, Director of Residential Services and Richard Riccio, Executive Director at the open house for the recently opened Intensive Management Needs Unit.

When one door closes another one opens...

9/11 A lesson in remembrance

This September, the principal at St. Anne Institute, Mr. Patrick Haggerty approached the entire faculty with the idea to incorporate the history lessons of 9/11 with an art project that would include grades 7-12. The Art Department and fifteen students began the project by studying a series of art works done in response to 9/11; reviewing subject matter and trying to discover what the artist's meaning was in their works. Mrs. Lockett who supervises the art department wanted to teach the students that art has three purposes; It delivers a message from the artist, it speaks to the viewer and it tells you something about history.



The students were intrigued by this project from the beginning. They viewed different artist interpretations of the destroyed areas. "Some of the images were hard to watch for the students" reports Mrs. Lockett, but they learned to have a better understanding of how the victim's families who were left behind felt, and how our government changed as a result of this event.



Many of our students were very young when the events of 9/11 happened. They did not realize that at one time our country felt invincible and overnight became vulnerable. The point of the lesson was not to frighten the students but to teach them that as Americans they do have a voice and that voting gives them that voice and provides them with the opportunity to shape the future of their country. They came away with a better understanding that if we respect each other and one another's cultures, we could prevent this great tragedy from happening again. What made this day so wonderful was seeing the students and staff working together for a commonality to promote peace and unity.



Dennis Domkowski, Assistant Executive Director of Support Services and Dick Zandri, Zandri Construction Corp. managed the renovation project.

Amanda W., Albany County Executive Mike Breslin and Amanda Centinal Science teacher.

Nazareth Hall Open House

On August 17, 2011 many visitors came out to view the new dormitory including: state, county and city officials, donors, board members, staff and volunteers. Everyone joined in the celebration of the opening of the renovated Nazareth Hall Intensive Management Needs Unit. Much of the planning and construction was completed by the Zandri Corporation and our staff. It was



a wonderful event and our guests were able to get an inside look at our new redesigned space. Staff, residents and guests all joined in together to open the unit. Nazareth Hall will now be home to twelve new residents. This new unit will be a twelve bed intensive care unit. It will be utilized by counties all across New York State to program for young women who need a higher level of care. This unit operates with a social worker and case manager. Academics are taught in the classrooms on the unit. Teachers and staff are specifically trained to deal with the special needs of our clients.

(Left to Right) Rachel Richards, Case Manager, Amanda W., and Linda Quattlebaum, Unit Manager on Seton Hall.



Fedullo Catena Golf Tournament



(Left to right) John Shumann practicing his putting. Mr Catena and his son Mike Catena enjoying the day and Jodi Impellizzeri scoping out the yardage.

What a day! On September 19th, you could not have had more beautiful weather, with perfect playing conditions at the exquisite Wolferts Roost Country Club. St. Anne hosted their annual Fedullo Catena Golf Classic. Raising a total of \$38,379, with the proceeds going to benefit the children and families at St. Anne Institute. It takes a great committee who work year round to prepare for this one day. Once again we had a triumphant event thanks to all who participated, supported, sponsored and worked so hard to make this day successful. Thank you everyone!

A message from the Director of Development



If you have supported St. Anne Institute over the years - Thank You. If you are a new donor we welcome your support and hope that you will continue your generos-

ity. and safety measures. Your donation helps St. Anne Institute keep the children, families, and staff safe and comfortable.

When hurricanes become reality and there is devastating damage all around us, you can rest assured that our St. Anne community stands safe and secure. Please remember us in these very financially challenging times. As one of our former students wrote, "If I need help I'm not afraid to ask. Around here I have the biggest family. Without St. Anne Institute and the staff and friends here who have helped me I don't know where I would be or what I would be doing."

By giving a gift to St. Anne Institute, through the St. Anne Foundation, you should feel good knowing that you share in our mission - helping the people entrusted to our care to live with personal dignity by enhancing their growth intellectually, emotionally and spiritually.

Your donated dollars in 2010 - 2011 replaced washing machines and dryers, furniture for the living units, made security system upgrades possible, replaced emergency lighting and made possible many other purchases

May you, our donors and friends, enjoy a thankful and joyous holiday season. If you have questions, comments, or suggestions for the St. Anne Foundation please feel free to contact me at: 518/437-6563 or dsuto@s-a-i.org. Gratefully, Darlene V. Suto, Director of Development and Community Relations